

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Transport Department - Removal of restriction on the number of auto - rickshaws in Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam cities in the wake of creation of new districts - Orders - Issued - Reg.

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TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (TR.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 8

Dated: 13-02-2025

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.155, T,R&B (Tr.II) Department, Dt.07-09-2002.
2. G.O.Ms. No.217, T,R&B (Tr.I) Department, Dt.09-11-2006.
3. G.O.Ms.No.20, T,R&B (Tr.I) Department, Dt.22-04-2015.
4. G.O.Ms.No.50, T,R&B (Tr.I) Department, Dt.08-09-2015.
5. G.O.Ms.No.48, T,R&B (Tr.I) Department, Dt.20-09-2018.
6. From the Transport Commissioner A.P. letter Lr.No. 6464/R/2008, Dated: 05-06-2024.
7. Memo No.2524229/132/2024-TRP-I, Dated:19.09.2024.
8. From the Transport Commissioner A.P. letter Lr.No. 6464/R/2008, Dated: 12.11.2024.

ORDER:-

In the G.O. 1st read above, the Government have restricted the number of 3-wheeled contract carriages (Auto-rickshaws) in Visakhapatnam at 8300 and Vijayawada at 8600 and replacement of any of the existing 3-wheeled contract carriages covered by permit as per rule 211 of Andhra Pradesh Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 shall be LPG driven 3-wheeled contract carriages only. Later, in the G.O. 2nd read above, Government have increased the existing number of 3-wheeled contract carriages (Auto-rickshaws) from 8600 to 8700 in Vijayawada and from 8300 to 8400 in Visakhapatnam for grant of 100 new permits exclusively for women entrepreneurs under self employment scheme to operate the vehicles on owner cum driver basis.

2. In the G.O. 3rd read above, on public demand, the Government have increased the number of auto-rickshaws in Vijayawada city as 4,500 by way of replacement of existing vehicles in the areas of Ibrahimpatnam, Gannavaram, Penamaluru and Kankipadu Mandals. In the G.O. 4th read above, the Government have also added Vuyyuru Mandal in the ambit of the above said G.O. 3rd read above. The replaced vehicles shall be 4 seat LPG/CNG vehicles. Government has also permitted 112 - Seven Seater vehicles by way of replacement with 4 seater LPG/CNG vehicles vide orders 5th read above.

3. In this context, in the letters 6th and 8th read above, the Transport Commissioner, AP, Vijayawada has stated that as per Rule 177 of Andhra Pradesh Motor Vehicles Rules, the RTA grant permits to Auto-rickshaws. There is no limit in registration of Auto-rickshaws in the State, except in Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam cities. The Transport Commissioner, AP has, therefore, requested the Government to lift the restriction on number of auto-rickshaws in Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam in the wake of creation of new districts, since the new auto-

rickshaws are "BS-VI CNG/Petrol/LPG etc (positive Ignition based technology) or battery operated, which are more eco-friendly, as this will contribute to the self-employment of youth. He has further stated that, old auto-rickshaws shall not be allowed into the cities of Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam on change of address and transfer of ownership.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter, and in supersession of the orders issued in the G.O.s 1st to 5th read above, hereby lift the present restriction on the number of auto-rickshaws in Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam cities in the wake of creation of new districts, provided that the newly purchased auto-rickshaws are "BS-VI CNG/Petrol/LPG etc., (positive Ignition based technology) or battery operated in Vijayawada City and Visakhapatnam city, to fulfill the needs of public and for last mile connectivity, subject to condition that old auto-rickshaws shall not be allowed into the cities of Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam on change of address and transfer of ownership.

5. The Transport Commissioner, AP, Vijayawada shall take further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To

The Transport Commissioner, AP, Vijayawada.

The Director General of Police, AP, Mangalagiri.

The Collector & District Magistrate, Krishna District.

The Collector & District Magistrate, NTR District.

The Collector & District Magistrate, Visakhapatnam District.

The Commissioner of Police, Vijayawada.

The Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam.

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The OSD to Hon'ble Minister for Transport, A.P.Secretariat.

The PS to Principal Secretary to Government

(Transport, Roads & Buildings) Department, A.P.Secretariat.

Sf/Sc - (2524229).

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